IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Bong-Ki KIM

Application No. 10/688,914

Group Art Unit: 1745

Confirmation No. 3924

Filed: October 21, 2003

Examiner: Gregg Cantelmo

For:

SECONDARY BATTERY INCLUDING IMPROVED CAP ASSEMBLY AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING THE CAP ASSEMBLY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO BE FILED CONCURRENTLY WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed March 21, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on June 21, 2007.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.